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2-00 PM URGENT 8-13-69 EFM

TO DIRECTOR

FROM BOSTON 166-845 5 PGS

Baller

LOUIS MANACCHIO, AKA; ET AL., ITAR - GAMBLING

LATE LAST EVENING, RICHIE CHICOFSKY CONTACTED

SA H. PAUL RICO AND REQUESTED IMMEDIATE INTERVIEW. SAS

GERARD S. COMEN AND RICO CONTACTED CHICOFSKY AT THE PARKING

LOT OF CHILDRENS MUSEUM, BOSTON, MASS., WHICH HAS BEEN

USED BY THESE TWO AGENTS TO CONTACT CHICOFSKY OVER THE

PAST SEVERAL MONTHS. CHICOFSKY STATED THAT ON AUGUST EIGHT

LAST, HE RECEIVED A CALL FROM SUBJECT "PRO" LERNER, AFTER

WHICH "PRO" LERNER MET HIM IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE RIB ROOM,

SOUTH SHORE PLAZA, BRAINTREE, MASS. REC-54

166-4355

VENDITUOLI JOINED LERNER AND CHICOFSKY. ALSO A WILLIAM AUG 15 1968
KENNEY DROVE UP WHO WAS TO MEET SCIARRA AND CHICOFSKY WITH
RELATION TO ANOTHER MATTER.

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AT THIS POINT, "PRO" LERNER TOLD KENNEY

TO LEAVE THE GROUP AND THE ABOVE MENTIONED INDIVIDUALS

ALL SAT IN THE CAR. "PRO" LERNER ASKED CHICOFSKY FACTS

SURROUNDING HIS MEETINGS WITH RICO, IT BEING POINTED OUT

Criminal Informant

THAT CHICOFSKY WAS A FORMER CIR OF THE BOSTON OFFICE AND

WAS DISCONTINUED SEVERAL YEARS AGO WHEN HE BECAME DOUBLE AGENT

WITH POST OFFICE INSPECTORS IN CONNECTION WITH MAILROB.

CHICOFSKY TOLD THEM THAT ANOTHER AGENT USUALLY
ACCOMPANIED RICO WHEN THEY MET. LERNER THEN ASKED WHETHER
THEY LOCKED DOORS AND DETAILS SURROUNDING THEIR USUAL
PROCEDURE IN METTING CHICOFD CHICOFSKY. LERNER FURTHER POINTED
OUT THAT HE IS OF THE OPINION THAT KELLEY WAS TALKING ABOUT
THAT GROUP AND THAT HE EXPECTED THEIR ARRESTS IN CONNECTION
WITH THEIR PAST ACTIVITIES IN THE NEAR FUTURE. LERNER MADE
TENTATIVE PLANS WHEREBY CHICOFSKY WOULD CALL RICO
AND TELL HIM IT WAS URGENT THAT HE, RICO, CONTACT CHICOFSKY
AT A PRE-ARRANGED LOCATION. WHEN RICO AND THE OTHER AGENT
MET, LERNER, SCIARRA, MANACCHIO AND VENDITUOLI WOULD APPROACH
THE CAR AND AFTER GAINING ACCESS TO THE VEHICLE TAKE BOTH
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August 13, 1969 SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This reports plan of four New England hoodlums to kill two Agents of our Boston office. Three of these hoodlums are currently fugitives in connection with the ITAR-Gambling investigation. The fourth was arrested by our Boston office yesterday and is being held on \$150,000 bond. All four have been implicated in the gangland slaying of Rudy Marfeo, Boston, Massachusetts, bookmaker. According to a former informant of our Boston office, the plans call for his urging our two Agents to contact him, after which the hoodlums would take the Agents under control. One Agent would be killed immediately. SA Paul Rico would then be forced to drive the hoodlums to the place where John J. Kelley was being guarded by U. S. Marshals. Kelley is currently cooperating with our Boston office and has provided detailed information implicating these hoodlums in the murder of Marfeo.

The hoodlums believed that the marshals, upon seeing Agent Rico, would relax, after which they would kill Agent Rico, the marshals and Kelley. The hoodlums indicated that if they locate SA Rico's exact address, they have other plans in mind which were not furnished our source.

The Lerner mentioned in this teletype when apprehended by our Boston office yesterday, commented to Agent Rico "You look just like your pictures." Lerner, according to Kelley, is extremely courageous and appears to relish killing.

A teletype is being sent immediately to SAC, Boston, containing specific instructions to afford SA Rico and his family adequate security; to vigorously press their investigation toward locating the three fugitives involved in this plan; to insure U. S. Marshall afforded Kelley; and in the event Lerner makes bond, to take appropriate steps for revocation of same. Department being advised.